IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims to read as set forth below.

- 4. (Amended Twice) A reel-up/winder as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the depth (h) of said groove (204) is, at its deepest point, about 0.3 mm to about 1.5 mm.
- 5. (Amended Twice) A reel-up/winder as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the width (d) of said groove (204) is about 20 mm to about 150 mm.

7. (Amended Twice) The reel up/winder according to claim 6, further comprising a first winding drum and wherein said first winding drum is arranged such that said paper web runs through a first nip defined by said first winding drum and said reel and then through a second nip defined by said at least first roll of said support assembly.

Please add the following new claims.

14. (New) A reel up/winder as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that the depth (h) of said groove (204) is, at its deepest point is about 35 mm to about 0.3 mm to about 1.0 mm.

15. A reel-up/winder as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that the width (d) of said groove (204) is about 35 mm to about 100 mm.

Marked-up Version of Claims as amended herein.

- 4. (Amended Twice) A reel-up/winder as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the depth (h) of said groove (204) is, at its deepest point, about [0.3...1.5 mm, preferably about 0.3...1.0 mm] 0.3 mm to about 1.5 mm.
- 5. (Amended Twice) A reel-up/winder as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the width (d) of said groove (204) is about [20...150 mm, preferably about 35...100 mm] 20 mm to about 150 mm.
- 7. (Amended Twice) The reel up/winder according to claim 6, further comprising a first winding drum and wherein said first winding drum is arranged such that said paper web runs through a first nip defined by said first [wand] winding drum and said reel and then through a second nip defined by said at least first roll of said support assembly.